

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS – San Antonio Congressman Charlie Gonzalez visited Accessible Design Inc. to tour the facility as part of the Make It In America initiative to boost manufacturing and lift the middle class. Accessible Designs, Inc. (ADI) is a San Antonio, based company of 8 employees that designs, manufactures, and distributes products for the wheelchair mobility industry. Congressman Gonzalez met with the owner of ADI, Todd Hargroder, and his employees to discuss American manufacturing policy and ways to grow small business manufacturing. Congressman Charlie Gonzalez issued the following statement regarding the tour and the Make It In America initiative:

"I'm committed to ensuring that our manufacturers in San Antonio and across America have the resources to remain competitive in the global economy. Manufacturing has been a critical sector in our recovery and Democrats' Make It In America agenda is aimed at creating an environment that fosters growth in the manufacturing sector so that we can boost job creation for the middle class. Our ability to create jobs has to result from sound policy and smart investments that allow American manufacturers to continue innovating and producing goods in America without the burden of unnecessary and complicated paperwork. At the same time, we need to be mindful of the unique challenges of small business manufacturers, so that we are providing them with every opportunity to grow and create jobs. By creating a fair and equitable tax code, making smart investments in education, vocational training programs, and infrastructure, we are not only strengthening our ability to create more jobs and products in America, but we are also helping middle class families make it in America."

Since launching the initiative in the 111th Congress, six Make It In America bills have been signed into law that encourage manufacturers to innovate, grow, keep and create good jobs here in the United States. Today the Federal Reserve reported that industrial production increased 0.9 percent in July, its fastest pace in seven months. Congressman Gonzalez and Democrats hope to build on this momentum by continuing to pursue the Make It In America plan. For more information, please visit <http://www.democraticwhip.gov/issues/make-it-america>  
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